

# The Romulus News

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## Timely Tidbits ...

### School Resumes Tuesday, January 3

Students attending Romulus Community Schools will begin their annual holiday break at the end of the school day on Friday, December 16, 2005, and return to school on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 (not Monday, January 2, as originally announced). For more information, call 734-941-1600.

### Wanted: Phone Card, Mitten Tree Donations

Romulus Post Office employees are asking everyone to help friends near and far this holiday season by making "mitten tree" donations for Romulus families in need and/or phone card donations for wounded soldiers hospitalized at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

According to Romulus Postmaster Diane Puroll and postal worker Sharon Bokor, soldiers who are hospitalized at Walter Reed do not have long-distance telephone privileges, and must call collect or use prepaid phone cards to contact their friends and loved ones.

Phone cards may be purchased at the post office (located on Hunt Street in downtown Romulus) through Wednesday, December 20. Postal employees will then package all the donated cards and send them via Express Mail. (Note: Those who do not wish to purchase cards may make smaller cash donations that will be pooled to buy additional phone cards.)

Mitten tree donations may also be dropped off at the post office during regular business hours.

### New Year's Eve Bash

The Romulus Firefighters of Station #4 and the Romulus Progressive Club will host their annual New Year's Eve Party – featuring dinner, dancing, a champagne toast, "midnight pizza," door prizes, and more! – at Romulus Progressive Hall (11580 Ozga) from 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.

For tickets (\$40 single/\$60 couple), call 734-941-3044. □

## Holiday Programs Promote Spirit of Giving

Hundreds of Romulus-area families in need will enjoy a merry Christmas thanks to a number of programs that benefited the Romulus Goodfellows and other local help organizations.

The Goodfellows' annual newspaper drive, conducted December 2–3, netted over \$6,200 for the organization's "No child (or senior citizen) without a Christmas" program. City officials, firefighters, police officers, and other volunteers braved wintry weather to man the City's busiest intersections and solicit donations from passing motorists.

The Goodfellows also benefit from the efforts of local individuals, service groups, and businesses that make charitable donations and/or host fund-raising events to assist the organization with its work.

One of many such fund-raisers was held on Wednesday, November 23, when Romulus House Restaurant owners Sam and Basem prepared 40 turkeys and all the trimmings for their fourth annual pre-Thanksgiving dinner. Diners who came in to enjoy the free meal left with full bellies and – thanks to generous donations totaling more than \$1,400 – empty pockets. Romulus House would like to extend its sincere thanks to the many local firefighters, police officers, and other volunteers who pitched in to help serve their delicious holiday fare.

The Romulus Goodfellows – along with groups like Girls Town of Belleville and a number of local homeless shelters – will also benefit from a lavish donation of over \$40,000 that financed a massive shopping spree at the Southgate Toys "R" Us on December 8. Undeterred by the season's first snowstorm, more than two dozen volunteers, including members of the Strait Gait International Church of Romulus, filled 300+ carts with 1,000+ toys (everything from Lego blocks to Game Boy units) appropriate for boys and girls of all ages. Tim Marshall, a spokesperson for the group, said that everyone who took part in the "Hope for Christmas" program came away blessed with the true spirit of the Christmas season.

"Hope for Christmas" was founded by Strait Gait International's Pastor Art Wilson and Terry Goers, and was implemented with the help of directors and team leaders like Paul and Veronica Crabtree, Bethany Wilson, and Monica Brown.

For more information, call Pastor Wilson at 313-995-6466. □



Leaia Gilkey was one of many volunteers who braved the cold for the Goodfellows paper drive.



Altogether, volunteers like Karin Westley raised more than \$6,200 for the holiday help program.



Romulus police officers, firefighters, and other volunteers helped the Romulus House Restaurant raise over \$1,400 for the Goodfellows.



More than two dozen volunteers enjoyed using \$40,000+ in donations to purchase toys for the area's needy children.

## Santa Comes to Town



After making his official arrival just in time for the City's annual tree-lighting ceremony on December 2, Santa Claus stopped in at Romulus Progressive Hall to listen to the Christmas wishes of little ones like Chandler and Connor McCraight.



Santa's visitors were treated to refreshments, an elaborate model train display (courtesy of the Trenton Train Club), and a dance demonstration given by the "Kreyola Cloggers": (from left) front – Kate Orr and Sarah Orr; back – Jim Whitaker, Jim Krey, Janet Parant, Dianne Gomez, Marcia Krey, Pat Aitchison, and Heather Krey.



Santa wished all his young guests – including Erin and Alyssa Grapes – a very merry Christmas. (photos by Lisa Meyers)



## Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Mayor Alan R. Lambert, Diane Banks,  
and Staff

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Wishing all the  
citizens of Romulus a  
**Merry Christmas**  
and a  
**Happy New Year**

**John R. Barden**  
Romulus City Councilman

Paid for by the Committee to Elect John R. Barden



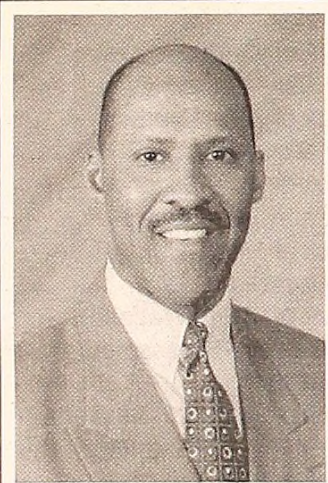
With Joy  
in my heart,  
I wish you  
and yours  
a multitude of blessings  
during this Holy season.



**Merry Christmas**

**Ellen Craig-Bragg**  
Romulus City Councilwoman

Paid for by Committee to Elect Ellen L. Craig-Bragg



**It's About  
Time!**



To say...

Happy New Year and many thanks for  
the privilege of serving you.

**Randy Gear**  
Mayor Pro Tem, City of Romulus

Paid for by the Committee to Elect Randolph Gear

## Romulus Rotary Heads South To Aid Hurricane Victims



Diana Knight (front, center), president of the Lucedale, Mississippi Rotary club, welcomed (from left) John Crova, Bryan McNeil, and Romulus Rotary Club members Vince Bartolo, Rick Perry, John Brimble, Brian Oakley, Gordon Silvey, and Emery Long to her hometown area. The group went south in late October to lend a hand in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

In late October, an eight-member cleanup crew sponsored by the Romulus Rotary Club traveled to Long Beach, Mississippi, to help victims of Hurricane Katrina. The crew—composed of Rotary Club members Vince Bartolo, John Brimble, Emery Long, Brian Oakley, Rick Perry, and Gordon Silvey, as well as Romulus residents John Crova and Bryan McNeil—spent a week working to remove storm-damaged drywall and other debris from the area. According to Oakley, much of the Romulus crew's work was coordinated by local-area Rotaries, including the club from Lucedale, Mississippi.

Despite the fact that the men had seen extensive news coverage of the Katrina aftermath, observing the wreck-

age firsthand was an experience that both shocked and moved them.

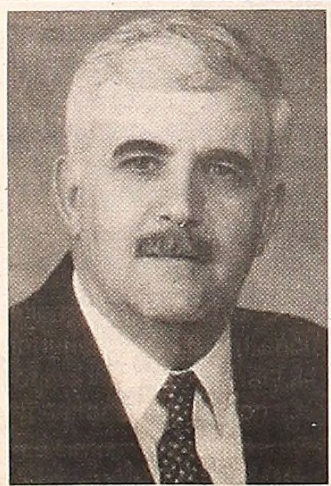
"This trip was an opportunity for the group to witness the devastating power of Mother Nature, as well as the vast resourcefulness and generosity of the American people," said Oakley. "It's something that we'll never forget."

Even though the recovery of the Gulf Coast area is far from complete, the Romulus crew can enjoy a sense of satisfaction for the contribution it has made.

"I am very happy that we were able to go down and help out," said Silvey. "Although there is an unbelievable amount of cleanup still required, I feel better for having played a small part," he added. □



(From left) After working to clean away storm-damaged drywall and other debris left by Hurricane Katrina, McNeil, Oakley, and Brimble took a well-deserved rest in what's left of a McDonald's restaurant.



**Season's  
Greetings**

From our family to yours:  
Have a safe, healthy, and happy  
holiday season.

Councilman Bill Wadsworth,  
Jean Wadsworth, grandchildren Sarah,  
Andrew, Elizabeth, and William and the  
rest of the Wadsworth Clan

P.S. Adopt a pet!

Paid for by the Committee to Elect William Wadsworth

# The Police Blotter

Thanks to Sergeant Bryan Cozzaglio for submitting the following summary of the Romulus Police Department's significant activity from Monday, November 28, through Sunday, December 11. (Note: Information is presented in the following format: date, time, type of call, and general location.)

## Monday, November 28

- 12:29 a.m. – Overdose (block of 39300 Montana)
- 2:27 a.m. – Robbery (block of 5820 Middlebelt)
- 10:20 a.m. – Breaking & Entering (B&E) (block of 34200 Beverly)
- 11:15 a.m. – Larceny (block of 16700 Jessica Ln.)
- 12:37 p.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 14100 Conover Pl.)
- 1:50 p.m. – Larceny (block of 15300 Meadow)
- 2:29 p.m. – Larceny (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 2:34 p.m. – Death Investigation (block of 5940 Wayne)
- 3:20 p.m. – Larceny (block of 29900 Beverly)
- 3:40 p.m. – Juvenile Complaint/Runaway (JC/R) (block of 15000 Plain Way)
- 3:56 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 8960 Inkster)
- 5:18 p.m. – B&E (block of 6970 Chippewa)
- 7:16 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 15000 Knoll Way)
- 7:41 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 6970 Chippewa)
- 10:14 p.m. – Loud Music (block of 11000 Delano)
- 10:20 p.m. – B&E (block of 15000 Mountain Way)
- 10:21 p.m. – Larceny (block of 28400 Greenview)
- 11:34 p.m. – Loud Music (block of 11100 Grover)
- 11:43 p.m. – Operating Under the Influence of Liquor (OUIL) (block of 35800 Eureka)

## Tuesday, November 29

- 12:35 a.m. – Threats (block of 11100 Grover)
- 4:42 a.m. – Rescue (block of 34200 Beverly)
- 6:01 a.m. – Larceny (block of 28300 Goddard)
- 8:38 a.m. – Threats (block of 16200 Harrison)
- 8:58 a.m. – Heath & Safety (block of 11300 Whitehorn)
- 11:04 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 7000 Merriman)
- 4:28 p.m. – B&E (block of 37200 Herman)

- 10:26 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 30300 Flynn Dr.)
- 10:28 p.m. – JC/R (block of 16200 Oakbrook)

## Wednesday, November 30

- 12:49 a.m. – Assault & Battery (A&B) (block of 7780 Merriman)
- 1:32 a.m. – Felonious Assault (block of 8230 Merriman)
- 4:47 a.m. – OUIL (block of 35400 Wick)
- 7:25 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 9530 Biddle)
- 7:32 a.m. – Trespassing (block of 6310 Middlebelt)
- 9:55 a.m. – Family Trouble (block of 15000 Streamway)
- 11:08 a.m. – Missing Person (block of 15000 Pond Way)
- 2:02 p.m. – Fraud Complaint (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 3:24 p.m. – Unlawful Driving Away of an Automobile (UDAA) (block of 28000 Bayberry)
- 5:32 p.m. – Harassment Complaint (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 7:52 p.m. – OUIL (block of 39400 Van Born)
- 9:06 p.m. – Felonious Assault (block of 8880 Cogswell)
- 11:43 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 38900 Rodeo)

## Thursday, December 1

- 1:21 a.m. – Mental Incapacitation (block of 6040 Columbus)
- 2:27 a.m. – OUIL (block of 15000 Inkster)
- 7:12 a.m. – Property Damage/Malicious Destruction of Property (PD/MDOP) (block of 28800 Cullen Dr.)
- 8:23 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 9770 Wayne)
- 9:55 a.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 6250 Loraine)

- 10:20 a.m. – Disturbance (block of 35800 Beverly)
- 10:27 a.m. – UDAA (block of 9300 Harrison)
- 1:11 p.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 13200 Middlebelt)
- 1:15 p.m. – Threats (block of 9520 Biddle)
- 3:47 p.m. – Missing Person (block of 37300 Wick)
- 4:48 p.m. – Larceny (block of 15700 Merriman)
- 8:57 p.m. – B&E (block of 34300 Pine Wood Cir.)
- 9:20 p.m. – Liquor Law Violation (block of 37300 Eureka)
- 9:31 p.m. – Robbery (block of 27400 Van Born)
- 11:18 p.m. – Mental Incapacitation (block of 37200 McBride)
- 11:50 p.m. – OUIL (block of 27400 Pennsylvania)
- 11:56 p.m. – Loud Music (block of 35200 Michele)

## Friday, December 2

- 1:42 a.m. – Larceny (block of 9000 Wickham)
- 1:59 a.m. – Larceny (block of 9000 Wickham)
- 10:38 a.m. – Fight (block of 37300 Wick)
- 11:41 a.m. – Family Trouble (block of 35600 Beverly)
- 11:54 a.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 27400 Northline)
- 2:18 p.m. – JC/R (block of 37300 Wick)
- 5:54 p.m. – Felonious Assault (block of 13000 Middlebelt)
- 10:04 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 15600 Harriet)

## Saturday, December 3

- 12:26 a.m. – UDAA (block of 6830 Inkster)
- 12:50 a.m. – A&B (block of 8500 Wickham)

- 2:53 a.m. – Threats (reported at RPD headquarters)
- 9:51 a.m. – Larceny (block of 12000 Elmview)
- 2:04 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 6980 Chippewa)
- 2:14 p.m. – Loud Music (block of 6760 Merriman)
- 5:54 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 8600 Wickham)
- 7:20 p.m. – Criminal Sexual Conduct (CSC) (block of 35600 Garner)

## Sunday, December 4

- 12:29 a.m. – A&B (block of 35800 Beverly)
- 3:03 a.m. – B&E (block of 7170 Merriman)
- 2:57 p.m. – Family Trouble (block of 9490 Tobine)
- 4:33 p.m. – Larceny (block of 9000 Wickham)
- 5:33 p.m. – OUIL (block of 15000 Middlebelt)
- 6:01 p.m. – K-9 Assist (Middlebelt)
- 7:49 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 9320 Terry)

## Monday, December 5

- 12:57 a.m. – Harassment Complaint (block of 29400 Eureka)
- 6:31 a.m. – Larceny (block of 6800 Cypress)
- 7:57 a.m. – PD/MDOP (block of 6140 Second)
- 8:29 a.m. – Larceny (block of 14200 Harrison)
- 9:49 a.m. – Larceny (block of 36800 Wabash)
- 12:07 p.m. – Harassment Complaint (block of 35500 N. Alexander)
- 12:25 p.m. – Abandoned Vehicle (block of 31100 Flynn Dr.)
- 12:38 p.m. – Disturbance (block of 39400 Wabash)
- 1:05 p.m. – B&E (block of 6530 Middlebelt)
- 1:25 p.m. – Mental Incapacitation (block of 16200 Middlebelt)
- 2:35 p.m. – Larceny (block of 35700 Genron Dr.)
- 4:42 p.m. – Threats (block of 35500 Wick)
- 9:16 p.m. – Larceny (block of 34800 Michele)

## Tuesday, December 6

- 9:28 a.m. – Larceny (block of 28500 Hildebrandt)
- 11:13 a.m. – Fight (block of 9510 Biddle)
- 11:49 a.m. – Fight (block of 15200 Colbert)

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## The Police Blotter

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- 1:02 p.m. – JC/R  
(block of 36400 Goddard)
- 1:38 p.m. – Family Trouble  
(block of 35500 Smith)
- 1:45 p.m. – Disturbance  
(block of 34400 Beverly)
- 4:57 p.m. – Fight  
(block of 35300 Eureka)
- 5:36 p.m. – Health & Safety  
(block of 30700 Halecreek)
- 5:50 p.m. – Fraud Complaint  
(block of 28200 Riverbridge)
- 6:47 p.m. – JC/R  
(block of 13300 Hannan)
- 11:28 p.m. – Rescue  
(block of 15000 Plain Way)

### Wednesday, December 7

- 12:16 a.m. – Larceny  
(block of 35700 Beverly)
- 6:04 a.m. – PD/MDOP  
(block of 11000 Whitehorn)
- 7:39 a.m. – JC/R  
(block of 29000 River Oak)
- 8:41 a.m. – Harassment Complaint  
(block of 34100 McBride)
- 9:03 a.m. – B&E  
(block of 28500 Van Born)
- 1:37 p.m. – Larceny  
(block of 30500 Flynn Dr.)
- 5:48 p.m. – OUIL  
(block of 7100 Wayne)
- 7:46 p.m. – B&E  
(block of 9470 Washington)
- 8:04 p.m. – Threats  
(block of 6210 Carnegie)
- 8:47 p.m. – Trespassing  
(block of 39200 Chase)
- 9:02 p.m. – UDAA  
(block of 27400 Eureka)
- 10:16 p.m. – Rescue  
(block of 11300 Hunt)

### Thursday, December 8

- 12:58 a.m. – JC/R  
(block of 15000 Brookway)
- 8:20 a.m. – Threats  
(block of 9800 Inkster)
- 9:12 a.m. – Larceny  
(block of 29100 Wick)
- 2:00 p.m. – Family Trouble  
(block of 6000 Dexter)
- 2:47 p.m. – Family Trouble  
(reported at RPD headquarters)

- 5:52 p.m. – Larceny  
(block of 36500 Bibbins)
  - 6:28 p.m. – PD/MDOP  
(block of 33400 Bay Hill Dr.)
  - 7:10 p.m. – Family Trouble  
(block of 28500 Leroy)
  - 8:04 p.m. – PD/MDOP  
(block of 36600 Goddard)
- ### Friday, December 9
- 12:32 a.m. – Overdose  
(block of 36800 Bibbins)
  - 5:37 a.m. – Larceny  
(block of 5990 Cogswell)
  - 3:04 p.m. – Abandoned Vehicle  
(block of 15700 Oakbrook)
  - 4:24 p.m. – PD/MDOP  
(reported at RPD headquarters)
  - 5:05 p.m. – Loud Music  
(block of 15000 Mountain Way)
  - 7:45 p.m. – Family Trouble  
(block of 5820 Middlebelt)
  - 11:25 p.m. – UDAA  
(block of 29300 Northline)

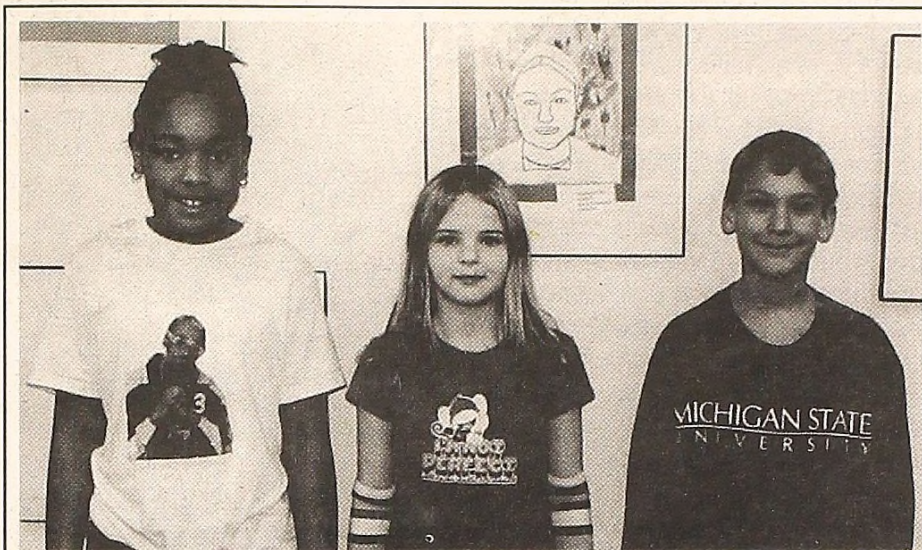
### Saturday, December 10

- 11:01 a.m. – Family Trouble  
(block of 35000 Lynn)
- 11:59 a.m. – A&B  
(block of 35400 Golden)
- 12:06 p.m. – Rescue  
(block of 6000 Dexter)
- 5:54 p.m. – CSC  
(reported at RPD headquarters)
- 6:22 p.m. – UDAA  
(block of 27400 Van Born)
- 6:24 p.m. – Fight  
(block of 5900 Colorado)
- 11:45 p.m. – Liquor Law Violation  
(block of 7090 Wayne)

### Sunday, December 11

- 1:23 a.m. – JC/R  
(block of 7570 Merriman)
- 2:08 a.m. – Disturbance  
(block of 9190 Wickham)
- 2:20 a.m. – Harassment Complaint  
(block of 35400 Garner)
- 6:20 a.m. – Robbery  
(block of 37400 Ecorse)
- 8:59 a.m. – Rescue  
(block of 28800 Burning Tree Pl.)
- 12:31 p.m. – Family Trouble  
(block of 15000 Mountain Way)
- 8:02 p.m. – K-9 Assist  
(block of 7630 Merriman) □

## Romulus Students Pay Tribute to Civil Rights Legend Parks



(From left) Barth Elementary students Brittany Braxton, Sidney Morris, and Jeremy Zabik were among 50 students selected to read their personal tributes to Rosa Parks during the Henry Ford Museum's December 1 anniversary celebration of her famous bus ride.

Barth Elementary principal Diane Golka was proud to have three of her students selected to participate in a recent ceremony honoring civil rights icon Rosa Parks. The event, held at the Henry Ford Museum on December 1, marked the 50th anniversary of the day that Parks was arrested for refusing to give up her bus seat to a white passenger – an action that spurred one of the most successful instances of civil disobedience in American history: the Montgomery (Alabama) Bus Boycott.

Barth fifth-grader Brittany Braxton and fourth-graders Sidney Morris and Jeremy Zabik were invited to the anniversary celebration to read their personal tributes to Parks. The 3 were among only 50 (out of 450) that were selected for the program by Henry Ford staff members.

Principal Golka, who accompanied the students and their parents to the celebration, praised all three of the youngsters, saying, "Our students did an outstanding job representing themselves, the school, and the community at this historic event."

Their winning entries appear below.

### WHO IS ROSA PARKS?

By Brittany Braxton

There once was a woman named Rosa Parks,  
She was a little lady who caused a big spark.  
Rosa attended Montgomery School for girls,  
Whoever thought that she would shock the world.  
Fifty years ago Mrs. Parks stayed in her seat,  
That very day Rosa was arrested for refusing to move her feet.  
Mother Parks, one of her few names they called her, you see,  
She headed many organizations including the NAACP.

Mrs. Parks didn't have children but loved to see them play,  
This was a lady who just made your day.  
Since 1955 she was faced with many fumbles,  
She could've easily said that's the way the cookie crumbles.  
Instead Rosa fought and she fought,  
She was a civil rights activist in more ways than you thought.  
So next time you get on the bus,  
Sit where you want and remember what Rosa Louise Parks did for us.

### THE GREAT PERSON, ROSA PARKS!

By Jeremy Zabik

Rosa Parks wouldn't give up her seat on a bus. She wanted everything to be fair between blacks and whites. She got a fine of 14 dollars and that was a lot of money back then. Another reason she didn't get out of her seat was because she was tired from work. Rosa Parks committed this crime December 1st 1955 in Montgomery, Alabama.

Rosa Parks inspired me to be brave and not be scared to help others. She also inspired me to do it in a non-violent way. Once more thing is she inspired me to do my best to try to make everything be fair.

Rosa Parks is a great woman and did a great thing. She was nice and was very very helpful to all the people in the United States of America. She made it so everything is fair, and it doesn't matter what color or race you are.

She changed my life by making everyone around me more happy. She let us drink out of the same water fountain. She let us go to the same restaurant and ride the same bus. She even let us go to the same school. Rosa Parks let everything be fair. She is one of the best women I've ever known.

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## Romulus Fire Fighters Station 4 and Romulus Progressive Club

### New Year's Eve Party

**Saturday, December 31, 2005**

**7 pm until 2 am – Dinner at 8 pm**

Romulus Progressive Club • 11580 Ozga Rd

\$40.00 Single or \$60.00 Couple

**Dinner • Dancing • DJ**

**Midnight Pizza • Champagne Toast • Door Prizes**

Purchase your tickets before December 15th to be entered in a special drawing

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# Holiday Season Is Busy Time at Barth Elementary School

The holiday season has been a busy time at Barth Elementary, according to principal Diane Golka. Among the special programs recently hosted by the school were a Thanksgiving luncheon, a holiday dress-up, a craft show, a book fair, and a Mexican fiesta.

Hosting a Thanksgiving luncheon on November 23 was Barth's "Cookie Club," which invited parents and other special guests to attend its special holiday program in the school's media center. The club – a group of students from special-education teacher Jeff Legg's class – makes and sells cookies throughout the year, with students taking on various roles (preparing the dough, baking it, bagging the cookies, and delivering them) in the cookies' production.

Also celebrating Thanksgiving were Barth teacher Karen Richard's kindergarten students, who enjoyed "dressing up" for their holiday program. The students donned Pilgrim hats and Native American headbands that they made in remembrance of the historic event that inspired one of our uniquely American traditions.

Barth's annual craft show, organized by parent coordinator Cecilia Burcroff, was a big success, with numerous vendors offering a variety of wares perfect for Christmas decorating or gift-giving. Among the highlights of the show, held November 19, was a raffle fund-raiser that featured prizes consisting of craft items donated by participating vendors.



For their recent celebration of the Thanksgiving holiday, students in kindergarten teacher Karen Richard's class at Barth Elementary School dressed up as Pilgrims and Native Americans, donning hats and headbands that they made themselves. The program was a fun way to reinforce the students' lessons about our country's early history and the lives of our forefathers.

The school's annual book fair was also in full-swing on November 19. The popular event drew many avid young readers eager to purchase new material for their personal libraries.

Reading was also the inspiration for a special program enjoyed by students in Amanda Shattuck's and Julie Wads-

worth's third-grade classes. After finishing Anthony Reynoso's *Born to Rope*, a book about a Mexican-American boy who worked in a rodeo, students further explored the author's culture by hosting a Mexican Fiesta that featured traditional food and dancing. Parents were invited to come and share the fun.

Principal Diane Golka had plenty of praise for the students, parents, and staff members who made the various programs such a big success, and thanked them for all their hard work and planning.

For more photos, please see opposite page. □

## Romulus Elementary School Celebrates Thanksgiving

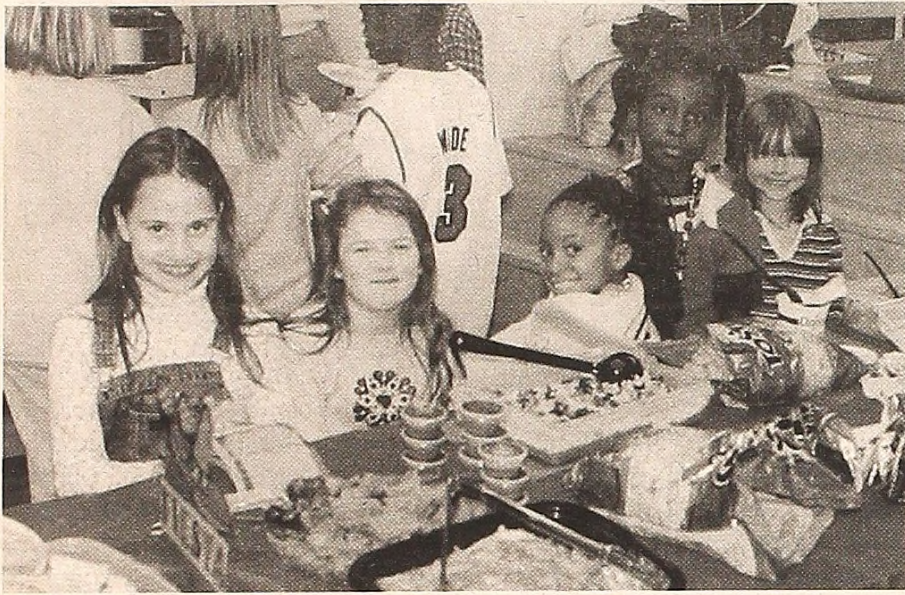


First-graders from Romulus Elementary teacher Shawn Dickson's class were proud to show visiting parents the colorful posters they created for Thanksgiving. Special guests (pictured with their young hosts) included: (back, from left) Sandra Marciniak (with her son, Alex), David Velez (with his daughter, Jade); and Lynn Merta (with her daughter, Mia Villarreal).



Second-grade teacher Christina LaForest (back, left) and her students shared a turkey-making craft project with visiting parents. Participants in the holiday event included: (from left) front – John Brown and Devonte Brown; middle – Kaly Brown and Angelique White; back – Jennifer Hudie and Niema White.

# Barth's Busy Bees



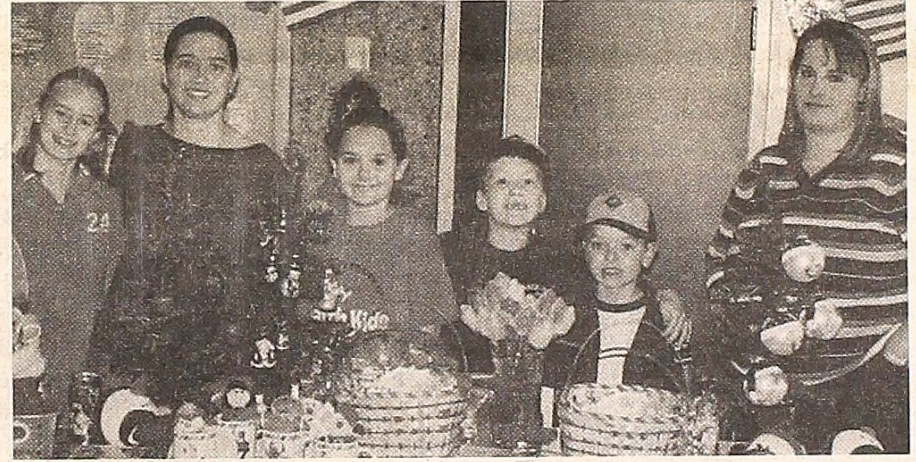
After reading a book about a Mexican-American boy who roped calves in a rodeo, Barth Elementary third-graders – including (from left) Kayla Bunyak, Lacey Cody, India Fizer, Beverly Lewis, and Shelby Calhoun – explored south-of-the-border culture with a Mexican Fiesta.



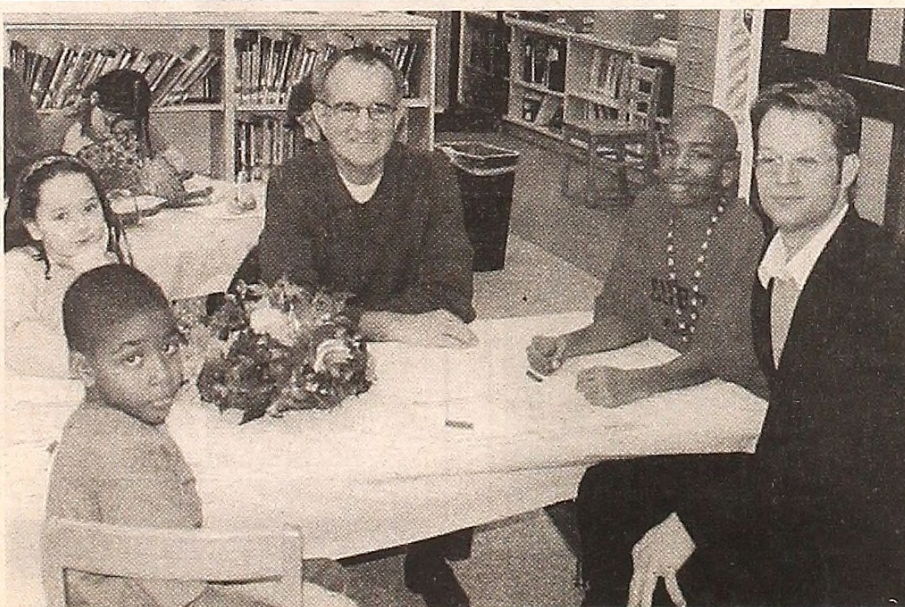
The annual Barth Book Fair drew many eager young customers, including: (from left) front – Amber Dyer, Kelsey Randall, and Julie Littler; middle – Chelsea Calhoun, Laiken Randall, and Jacob Randall; back – Brandon Gregg.



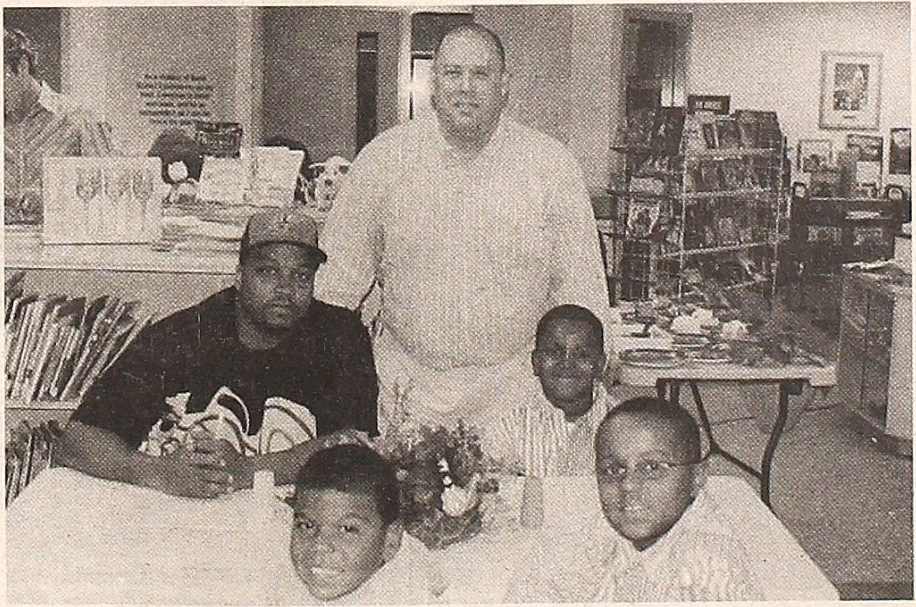
Barth Craft Fair vendor Karen Durham (right) showed off her Italian charm bracelets to Lily Begin (left) and Rachel LaPorte.



Checking out the fair's raffle prizes were (from left) Alyssa Garland, Carrie Helton, Alexei Helton, Kevin Beard, Nicholas Helton, and Michelle Garland.

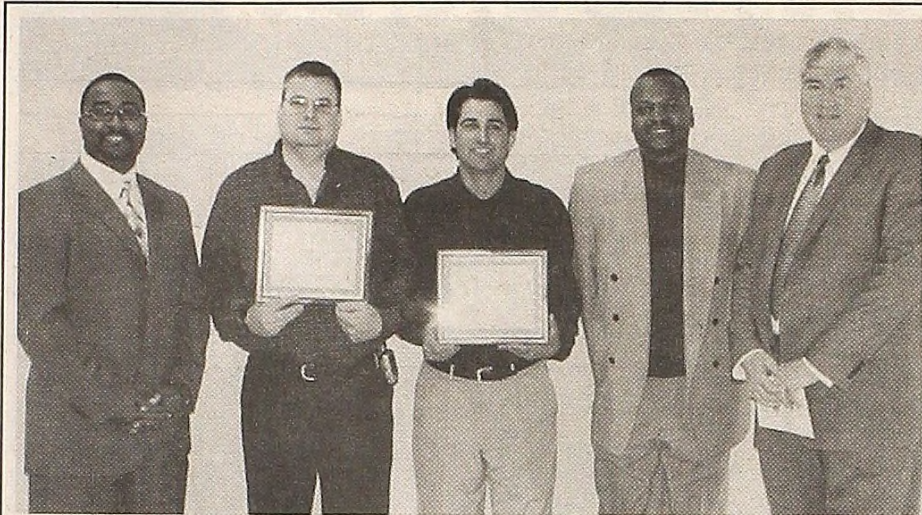


Teacher Jeff Legg (right) and his Cookie Club invited guests like Romulus Board of Education secretary Ken Mientkiewicz (center) to attend their Thanksgiving Luncheon. Also pictured are (from left) Alexi Helton, Kenny Hamilton, and Robert Brown.



Others who attended the Cookie Club's Thanksgiving Luncheon – held on November 23 – included: (from left) front – James Gordon and Marcell Ward; middle – Anthony Ward and Terrell Ward; back – Barth paraprofessional Dan Solgot.

# Community Middle School's Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon Celebrates Outstanding Students and Unique Programs



Romulus Community Middle School officials Tony Redmond (left), Reginald Grantham (second from left), and Al Wilkerson (right) had words of thanks for Another World Diver Supply owner Joe Stellini (center) and dive master Stephe Covert, who received certificates of appreciation for their help with the school's "Discover SCUBA" program.



Dive master Covert (back, right) gave lessons on using scuba equipment to RCMS students, including: (from left) front – Deonté Carter, Aaron Little, and Matthew Buhnerkemper; middle – Darin Whorton, Curon Bradford, and Lavonna Myles; back – Mylissa Galvan, Kristina Mercier, and Danielle Cox.

Romulus Community Middle School's annual Thanksgiving Luncheon, held on November 22, drew the largest crowd in the decade-long history of the event. The luncheon's highlights included a presentation about the school's "Discover SCUBA" program, as well as a ceremony recognizing students for academic and citizenship achievements.

During her presentation about "Discover SCUBA," RCMS science/math teacher DeAnn Covert—who developed the two-week study unit along with social worker Amy Park—discussed how an exciting topic like scuba diving in the Cayman Islands could be used as the focus of a cross-curriculum lesson plan that integrates studies in a variety of subjects:

- **science** (including the study of Archimedes' principle, density, the properties of light and sound under water, thermoclines, and climate),

- **math** (including the calculation of monetary exchange rates and the interpretation of graphs and charts),
- **social science** (including the study of geography and the influence of culture on art, music, and cooking),
- **English** (including the composition of reports on the Caymans), and
- **computers** (including the use of the Internet to research the Cayman region and the use of Microsoft Publisher to create a travel brochure).

Making the lessons especially meaningful to students was the chance for some practical experience in scuba diving. Romulus High School alumnus Joe Stellini, owner of Another World Diver Supply in Dearborn Heights, donated the use of his diving facility and equipment for a basic scuba class, which was conducted by dive master Stephe Covert.

Also bringing the study unit to life was an IMAX production about environ-

mental concerns in the coral reefs.

"The goal of the unit is to unite classroom concepts with positive community experiences for our students," said DeAnn Covert. "The ultimate success of the unit will be in the growth of our students as they gain confidence by tackling new academic challenges and life experiences."

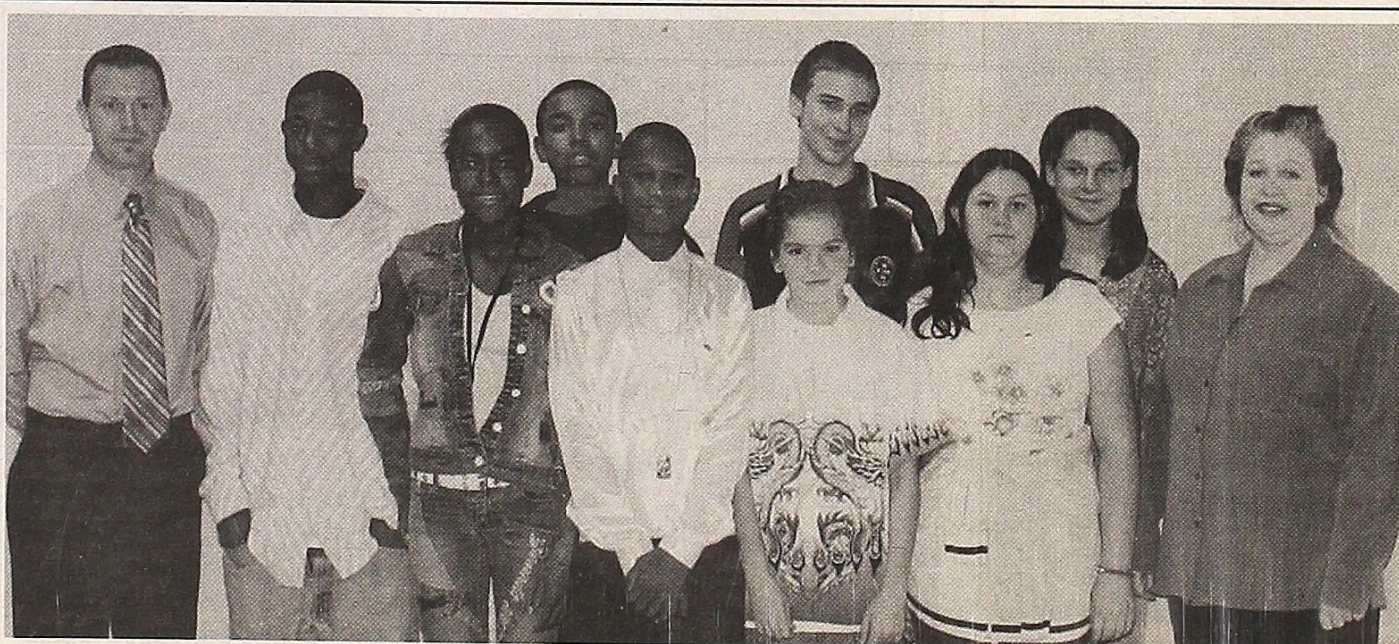
Covert used an extensive slide show to augment her presentation, which was further enhanced by input from students Curon Bradford, Aaron Little, and Kristina Mercier, who spoke glowingly of their scuba experience.

Also featured during the Community Middle School Thanksgiving Luncheon was an awards ceremony for students who demonstrated exceptional academic performance and/or citizenship.

Academic Award recipients were: Curon Bradford, Alex Campbell, Deonté Carter, Danielle Cox, Reginald Elliott,

Travon Gee, Tyrone Lee, Darius Leneair, Aaron Little, Kristina Mercier, Lavonna Myles, David O'Reilly, Chas Shinn, Robert Taylor, and Darin Whorton.

Students recognized for outstanding citizenship were: Curon Bradford, Danielle Cox, Keeontae Gaines, Travon Gee, Geno Lee, Tyrone Lee, Aaron Little, Kristina Mercier, Lavonna Myles, Robert Taylor, and Darin Whorton. □



RCMS teachers Scott Roark (left) and Deann Covert (right) proudly introduced Honor Roll students to those who attended the school's annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. The honorees included: (from left) front – Lavonna Myles, Travon Gee, Robert Taylor, and Danielle Cox; back – Tyrone Lee, Aaron Little, David O'Reilly, and Kristina Mercier.

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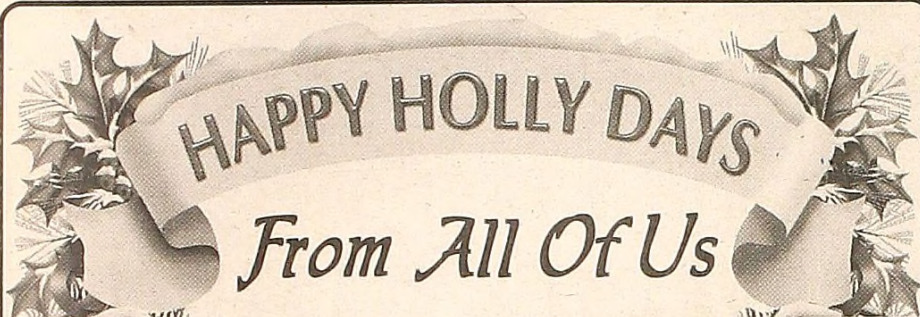
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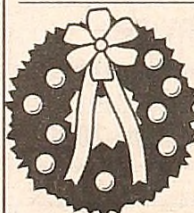
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Fluff-n-Puff Pet Grooming in downtown Romulus invited everyone to bring in their pets on December 11 for a "photo op" with Santa Claws. Owners Karen Bober and Robin Modrzynski — who have been faithful supporters of Councilman Bill Wadsworth's efforts to get the City a new animal shelter — donated the net proceeds from the event to the Friends of the New Romulus Animal Shelter Fund.

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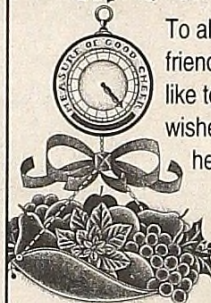
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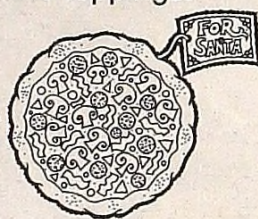
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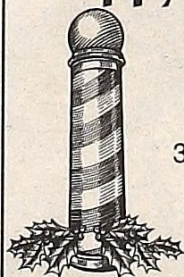


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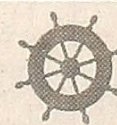
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(From left) During their recent tour of the University of Michigan's Museum of Art, Romulus Adult Education teacher Suanna Frazier-Abbasi and students Fallon Sanders, Joi Debonique Poole, Rachel Strayhorn, and Crystal Gilliam broke for lunch at the Michigan Union.

The Romulus Adult Education program recently took advantage of a transportation grant from the University of Michigan Museum of Art to take the learning process outside the classroom. Students in the program visited the UM Museum of Art and participated in small group tours of several art exhibits.

Although attractions such as a

Monet painting, the Asian art section, and a lecture on Hinduism and Buddhism were among the students' favorites, the highlight for many was a special exhibition called "Betye Saar: Extending the Frozen Moment."

"Saar is an artist who has redefined African-American identity in art by making art that challenges us to think about our responses to race and to the history of race in the United States," said Sharman Spieser, Adult Education coordinator. "She uses her art as a form of protest, and to explore racial identity."

During a break for lunch at the Michigan Union, students and staff got a chance to do a bit of exploring, walking several blocks to the Sports Museum. On their way across campus, they stopped to watch UM baseball coaches conducting batting practice, and also caught a glimpse of "The Big House" – the UM football stadium – in the distance. Later, the visitors from Romulus enjoyed an address from the university's assistant men's basketball coach, who talked with them about attitude, motivation, and life goals. □

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### REGULAR MEETING, NOVEMBER 28, 2005

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, November 28, 2005, was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President April Frayer.

Roll call showed members Frayer, Celeste Roscoe, Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Niema White, Betty Lenossi, Cheryl Buckley, and Thomas Kuderik present. Administrators present were: Joel R. Carr, Superintendent; Ed Clark, Director of Human Resources; and Tom Dolan, Director of Curriculum.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Frayer.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**11/05/22** Moved by Lenossi, supported by White, to approve the Agenda as amended. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

**11/05/23** Moved by Roscoe, supported by Buckley, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2005, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

**11/05/24** Moved by Buckley, supported by Lenossi, that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting/Executive Session of November 17, 2005, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

##### Personnel Actions

There were no personnel actions.

##### Bills for Payment

**11/05/25** Moved by White, supported by Roscoe, to approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Selection of Organization – Superintendent of Schools

**11/05/26** Moved by Mientkiewicz, supported by Kuderik, that the Board of Education accept the proposal of the Michigan Association of School Boards and employ their services in the search for a new superintendent. Roll call vote – Ayes: Buckley, Kuderik, Lenossi, White, Mientkiewicz, Roscoe, and Frayer. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Electronic Transfer of Note – Set Aside Funds

**11/05/27** Moved by Buckley, supported by White, to adopt the Resolution to Authorize Electronic Transfer of Funds, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Milwaukee Basketball Exhibition

**11/05/28** Moved by Mientkiewicz, supported by White, that the Board of Education adopt the Athletic Contest Contract for December 2005 in Milwaukee, as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

##### Communications and Expressions from the Public

There were no communications and expressions from the public.

##### Items of Interest from the Superintendent

The following Items of Interest were presented to the Board of Education by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent: 1) Local 64 officers; 2) Communication from the State of Michigan – Visitation at Wick School; and 3) Thank You – Gayle Mach.

##### Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mr. Kenneth Mientkiewicz addressed concern about the tax roll and hotel problem.

Mrs. Betty Lenossi stated that Mr. Smith had been named Teacher of the Week by a newspaper. Mrs. Lenossi also congratulated the new Local 64 officers, and further thanked the Culinary Arts Department for baking pies for the Romulus Senior Center.

Mr. Mientkiewicz commented on the girls' basketball program doing a great job, and on the Community Middle School scuba program being such a great success. He also commented on the Cookie Club Thanksgiving Luncheon being so nice at Barth Elementary.

Mrs. April Frayer asked about a presentation on the Middle School detention program.

Mrs. Niema White commented on the Special Persons Day at Romulus Elementary.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

**11/05/29** Moved by White, supported by Roscoe, to adjourn. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Secretary, Romulus Board of Education

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Unless otherwise noted, registration for this and other programs offered by the City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation should be made at the Recreation Center (located at 35765 Northline Road) any regular weekday between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Payment is due at the time of registration. For more information, call 734-941-6885.

### Youth Basketball

Romulus youths in grades 3–12 are invited to sign up for the Romulus Recreation Department's Youth Basketball program, which will run from January 7–April 13, 2006. Practices will be held from 5 to 9 p.m. on varying weekdays according to individual team schedules; all games will be played on Saturdays sometime between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. All programs will be held at Romulus elementary schools and Romulus High School.

Teams will be organized in the following groups:

- boys in grades 3–4
- girls in grades 3–4
- boys in grades 5–6
- girls in grades 5–6
- boys in grades 7–8
- girls in grades 7–8
- boys in grades 9–12
- girls in grades 9–12

The Youth Basketball draft will be held at Romulus Middle School according to the following schedule:

### Saturday, January 7

- boys 5–6: 9:50 to 10:50 a.m.
- girls 5–6: 10:50 to 11:50 a.m.
- boys 3–4: 11:50 a.m. to 12:50 p.m.
- girls 3–4: 12:50 to 1:50 p.m.
- boys 7–8: 1:50 to 2:50 p.m.
- girls 7–8: 2:50 to 3:50 p.m.

### Thursday, January 12

- boys 9–12: 6 to 7 p.m.
- girls 9–12: 7 to 8 p.m.

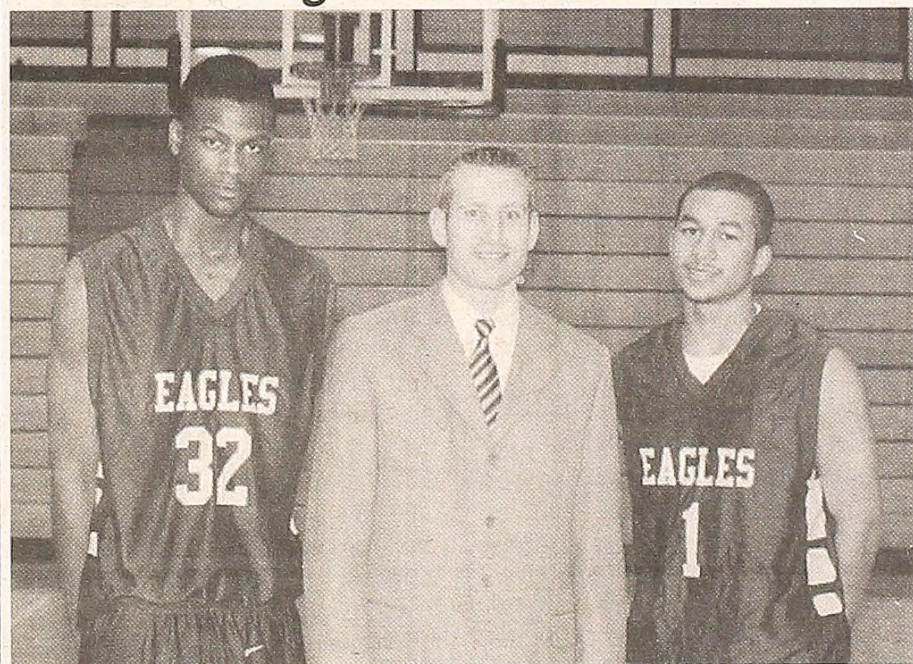
Participants are asked to note the following:

- Athletes *must* attend the draft to be drafted; those who do not attend will be assigned to a team by the Recreation Department's staff.
- All athletes must arrive 15 minutes ahead of their assigned draft time to register and receive a number. *The draft WILL start and end on time, so late people will not get much court time.*
- Participants *must* get on and off the court quickly to keep the draft running on schedule.
- As always, no food or drink is permitted in school buildings.

Cost for Romulus residents (proof required) is \$55 for one child, \$100 for two immediately family members, or \$135 for three immediate family members. Nonresidents must pay \$75 per child; no family discount will be offered.

Deadline for registration is Tuesday, January 3. *Absolutely no late entries will be accepted except to fill teams.* □

### RHS Eagles Off to Great Start



Head Coach Nate Oats (center) and his Romulus High School Eagles varsity basketball team is off to a 2–0 start for the 2005–2006 season with a 61–57 win over Roosevelt High School on December 6 and a 78–68 victory over Milwaukee (Wisconsin) South High School on December 10. Team leaders thus far include 6'9" junior Devin Searcy (left) and 6'2" sophomore Dominique Buckley, both of whom played on last year's outstanding state-finalist team.

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# RHS Students Recognized for Academic Excellence

Congratulations to the following Romulus High School students, whose hard work and dedication earned them a spot on the honor roll for the second marking period of the 2005–2006 school year.

## ALL A's

Students on the "All A's" roll maintained a grade point average of 4.00 or above.

## Ninth Grade

Derek Bennett, Nicholas Curry, Arianna Diebel, Travis Dockery, Melissa Dufore, David Forbush, Derek Kinney, Michael Lammers, Narjis Sheikh, Chelsea Tyree, and Samantha Watson.

## Tenth Grade

Rachel Arthur, Matthew Destrampe, Chelsea Earby, Katrina Jadzinski, Vaughn Liendo, Arielle Morgan, and Tranay Tanner.

## Eleventh Grade

Jennifer Dick, Jessica Dick, Joy Jendritz, Aurielle McCauley, and Jessica Mills.

## Twelfth Grade

Carla Anderson, Megan Bearman, Lindsay Beregsasy, Ayibatari Burutolu, Adam DeLay, Sara Hurt, Jennifer Lammers, Jonathan McLachlan, and Patricia Silvey.

## HIGH HONORS

Students on the "High Honors" roll maintained a grade point average of 3.50 to 3.99.

## Ninth Grade

Christine Amis, Samantha Bankey, Cody Barnes, Jazmine Bass, Taishawn Blackmon, Filmore Bouldes, Meriah Chapman, Timothy Dalton, Emily Davis, Lachelle Devoe, Brittany Frazier, DiChelle Freeman, Christina Gillespie, Brianna Grover, DeShawna Hill, Ashlee Hood, James McGlynn, Gary Nemeth, Randall Norfleet, Latrice Parnell, Candace Poet, Brittany Rodgers, Amanda Roehrich, Richard Rutherford, Holly Schonscheck, Dion Shepherd, Breonn Stephens, Jessica Sylvester, Briaunni Taylor, Adam Thornsby, Latisha Ware, Mary Watts, Sam Wells, Alise Whalen, Kanaya Williams, Amanda Zavitz, and Meriah Zockheem.

## Tenth Grade

Dua Al-Jabery, Antonio Armstrong, Antoine Baines, Frances Cistrunk, Gregory Cooper, Brittany Frazier, Crystal Greer, Kristina Hall, Tia Hall, Kourtney Hamilton, Maura Harris, Steven Hawes, Lauren Hidenfelter, Marjus Hoxha, Tanisha Hubbard, Rebecca Lewkowicz, Brittney Losacco, Lori Loshier, Amanda Menser, Marcus Nixon, Leanna Pioli, Stephanie Rutherford, Kyle Sherwood, Fred Sirhan, Chenise Smith, Samantha Stewart, Abigail Tieppo, Tricia Wanamaker, Demar Watkins, and Sarquese Williams.

## Eleventh Grade

Shawn Abney, Andrew Boyd, Briana Bray, Katherine Cobb, LaRhonda Colvin, Yetunde Emanuel, Shalayia Frye,

Cassaundra Graven, Tiffany Gray, Sharon Hayes, Jessica James, Nicole Klages, Richelle Mortzfield, Tamila Myles, Jetaun Robinson, Amna Sheikh, Kevin Stobbe, Brittany Turner, Erika Wasson, Shakita Wilson, Theresa Windom, Brittany Wright, and Desirea Yates.

## Twelfth Grade

Ashley Austin, Katherine Banks, Richard Bennett, Bradley Bills, Landria Buckley, Tiffany Claiborne, Carmen Coleman, Shaneta Cotton, Katrell Duncan, Jason Elwell, Brittney Garrison, Doloris Garry, Dean Gilbert, Carl Gillespie, Nicole Goodman, Lindsay Green, Judith Hammond, Nedra Harris, Amanda Hollis, Ashley Horyn, Brittany Howard, Riva Inman, Courtney MacDougall, Justin Maupin, Tiffani McCloud, Krystle McKay, Joy McWilliams, Ashley Moss, Tiffany Motsch, Chrisma Nathaniel, Amanda Nowicki, Candace Parsons, Jonathan Rafalski, Anisa Rakic, Thomas Rutherford, Dennis Suiter, Jeremy Trevor, Ashlee Wells, Megan Whalen, Patricia Williams, and Jessica Workman.

## HONORS

Students on the "Honors" roll maintained a grade point average of 3.00 to 3.49.

## Ninth Grade

Jasmine Abney, Levi Adams, Jawan Bailey, Kyla Barker, Ollie Belcher, Raheem Brown, Krystal Burrell, Tina Carter, Ashley Case, Denzel Charleston, Quindai Christopher, Rodney Cofield, Stephen Conner, Brianna Courtland, André Crawford, Toni Cross, Don Davis, Dwayne Dixon, Stormy Eldrington, Darius Ellis, Desi Ray Ellison, Kathryn Forth, Matthew Franklin, Shalonda Frye, Le'Aia Gilkey, Sarah Godfrey, Travis Griffin, Ross Hadyniak, Patrick Harrison, Chelsea Hay, Gary Hemmingway, Joshua Hill-Barnes, Earl Hunt, Josiah Jackson, Lauren Jones, Katie Koester, Pierre Lee, Ada Martin, Felicia Martin, Brandyn Martin, Miya McDonald, Stephanie Mortzfield, Tamica Mosley, Asia Moton, Vera Neci, Cheyenne Oakley, Byron Paisley, Lexiss Perkins, Charles Plaga, Nicolette Porter, Rashae Pree, Demetrius Price, Raymond Reed, Shaunte Roberts, Rachel Shackelford, Cicely Shaw, Nigere Simpson, William Steele, Jeremy Streeter, Kaela Torres, Brittany Turner, La'Tona Warlix, Sha'Quita Waters, Cherelle Watson, Briana Watts, Derrick White, Ebony Wilson, and Demarcus Wyatt.

## Tenth Grade

Marwin Boyd, Joshua Bright, Caren Brock, Jasmine Brown, Dominique Buckley, Latiesa Burnett, Tiffani Cannon, Tiffany Clark, Carmen Collie, Jasmine Colquitt, Tiffany Conradson, Bianca Courtland, Brittany Dismuke, JoAnna Ezell, Stacy Fabinski, Christopher Floyd, Alfonso Garcia, Dierrie Golden, April Gondek, Felipe Gray, Miranda Gubaci, Randy Hahn, Prince Harper, Anjenette Hood,

Idiakosa Igbinobaro, Alexis Jackson, Javonté Jackson, Lauren Johnson, Shauntez Johnson, Deonne Jones, Kristin Leigh, Valencia Mathews, Jerry McIntosh, Janeice McNeal, Alecia Morgan, Lawrence Nastal, Corey Neely, Kandice Penn, Melissa Peterson, Jasmine Rutherford, Conishia Steward, Akara Stovall, Crystal Wade, Sasha Wade, Matthew Wagle, Monique Walker, Keytoria Weaver, Charles Webb, Darryl White, Starsha White, Julian Williams, Clara Windom, and Crystal Zimmerman.

## Eleventh Grade

Jason Britton, Candice Bruckner, Akeem Burkes, Christopher Burton, Anna Bustamante, Jessica Chapman, Daniel Cross, Stacy Davidson, Joshua Dew, Dekarele Eldridge, Carissa Franklin, Audrey Glenn, Angela Gondek, James Hayes, Edwina Jackson, Samuel Jackson, Joseph Kiesznowski, Joseph Lewis, Hillrod Lumpkin, Krystal McCloud, Aisha Moore, Lauren Nierman, Tiffany Penn, Brandon Perry, Devin Searcy, Jacqueline Smith, Monay Smith, Jesse Spicer, Tariq Stevenson, Patrick Sutter, Courtney Turner, Jaclyn Vanmeer, Rodrick Walker, and Daryl Wilson.

## Twelfth Grade

Nicole Adams, Kathryn Appel, Samantha Arnett-Butscher, Ronald Baker, Tondra Bland, Brittni Brown, Merrika Brown, James Bullock, Joshua Carroll, Ronald Carter, Katrina Cutliff, Brian DeMoisey, Kevin Ferguson, Jessica Fox, Amber Gondek, Ryan Green, Timothy Griggs, Diamond Hamilton, Brittany Hampton, Samina Haq, Lester Hardy, Whitney Harley, Michael Hudson, Jennifer Hunter, Danielle Keller, Anita Kizer, Matthew Koester, Latoi Lee, Erica Linton, Christopher Lucaj, Quinton Mark, Khristopher Marsh, Jessica Moore, Michelle Oliver, Flenora Peacher, Cecily Ricer, Jessica Schaf, Jessica Sears, Calvin Sims, Kevin Smith, Mary Stewart, Siera Stewart, Bianca Talbert, Jeffrey Taylor, Shanari Townsend, Ileana Ustics, Monica Wells, Quale Williams, Robert Wilson, and Dayna Woods.

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The Romulus News welcomes academic, citizenship, and attendance rolls from all schools attended by Romulus residents.

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# Merriman Students Honored

Congratulations to the following Merriman Elementary students, whose hard work and dedication earned them recognition for the first marking period of the 2005–2006 school year.

## ALL A's

### Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Jessica Keoshian.

### Fourth Grade – Ms. Sneath

Matthew Freeman.

### Fourth and Fifth Grades – Mrs. Misiak

Timothy Booth.

### Fifth Grade – Ms. Austin

Rabia Sheikh.

### Sixth Grade – Ms. Lhiva

Joshlyn Booth.

### Sixth Grade – Mrs. Miller

Sarena Dillon, Jennifer Lukas, Sha-vontae Melchor, Rayven Rodgers, Jacob Segur, and Cierra Toliver.

## HONORS

### Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Marrell Hayes, Daniel Hollis, Jessica Keoshian, Sammantha Krause, Miranda May, Amanda Segur, Diamond Turner, and Brooke Waldon.

### Third Grade – Mrs. Terwilliger

Mariah Borders, Dushone Eldridge, Austin Gula, Jasmine Harkins, James Hunt, Nikol Ray, and Erunique Roach.

### Fourth Grade – Ms. Sneath

Nickolas Bovitz, Kierstyn Burns, Malaysia Hayes, Sh'Tia McGlory, and Riana Scott.

### Fourth and Fifth Grades – Mrs. Misiak

Donnisha Brown, Chelsea Drouillard, Janette Gula, Brelyn Mecks, Kayla Menser, Nakia Morgan, Michael St. Jacques,

David Shaft, Rehman Sheikh, Jamie Somervell, Shanya Sturdivant, Courtney Thompson, and Drew Wilkerson.

### Fifth Grade – Ms. Austin

Andre Brown, Jordan Genigeski, Ariel Lanqua, Ivonne Lewis, Ashley Robinson, and Sierra Straughter.

### Sixth Grade – Ms. Lhiva

Chance Armstrong, Na'Shelle Hill, and Nathan Wilkerson.

### Sixth Grade – Mrs. Miller

Nichelle Baker and Courtney Thomas.

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE

### Kindergarten – Ms. Goulette

Kenya Dixon, Melissa Menser, Jalen Morgan, Isis Rodgers, and Tatiana Sanchez.

### First Grade – Mrs. Bradlee

Tyler Burns, Makiya Carter, Mark Collier, Kayla Davis, Alicia Genigeski, Brooke Keoshian, and Braxton Smith.

### First Grade – Ms. Daniels

Caleb Baker, Annalise Clark, Brielle Garrison, Ronnie Rodgers, Alex Stevens, Spencer Stevens, Kyjuan Witten, and Tajanae Woodward.

### Second Grade – Mrs. Doane

Taylor Baker, Morgan Cooke-Thomason, La'Nique Dawson, Aubrey Dillon, Dimetrius Reed, Erasmo Sanchez, Erik Stetler, and Terron Williams.

### Second Grade – Ms. Prisco

Trevon Brown-Woods, D'Angela Contesso, Basil Dallas, Ajhaun Davis, Christian Deaton, Jasmin Gist, Maurice Norwood, Donovan Parks, Carrington Smith, and Kelsey Ward.

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## Barth Students Pay Tribute to Rosa Parks

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### THE MOTHER OF CIVIL RIGHTS

By Sidney Morris

Rosa Parks refused to give up her seat on the bus in Montgomery, Alabama on December 1, 1955. She had a hard day at work and was very tired. She was a seamstress. A white man got on the bus and asked her for her seat (at the time, blacks were only allowed to sit in the back of the bus. The first ten seats were for white people only.) Rosa Parks refused to move. She just sat in the seat peacefully. She knew she could go to jail, or have to pay a really big fine. She sat there like nothing was wrong. When the police came to arrest her, she got off the bus and was fingerprinted. She also had to pay a \$14 fine. In 1955 that was

a lot of money.

Rosa Parks influenced and inspired me because she took a really big risk and stood up for what she believed in. She didn't use violence. She just sat there. She was also a hard worker. I think Rosa Parks wanted things for everyone to be fair. Not being able to drink out of a certain water fountain is a really stupid law.

Rosa Parks changed my life because if she didn't do what she did, things would still be the same. I wouldn't live in the same house, or go to the same school. I wouldn't have the same friends either.

I feel happy about what Rosa Parks did. If she didn't, things would still be same as 50 years ago. □

## Merriman Students Honored

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### Third Grade – Mrs. Graham

Akira Battle, Juwan Bearden, River Grishaber, Daniel Hollis, Jessica Keoshian, Amanda Segur, Bianca Tabb, Diamond Turner, Kaylen Williams, Marquela Woodward, and Shakiya Wray.

### Third Grade – Mrs. Terwilliger

Mariah Borders, Dushone Eldridge, Jasmine Harkins, Cody Howington, Elwin Ready, Anthony Taylor, DJ Trout, and Gabrielle Walton.

### Fourth Grade – Ms. Sneath

Savannah Davis-Soloman, Tamyrah Frierson, Tariq Hadin, Malaysia Hayes, Keyshawn Pope, Riana Scott, Charmaine Thomas, and DeMarco Woodward.

### Fourth and Fifth Grades – Mrs. Misiak

Timothy Booth, Donnisha Brown, Chelsea Drouillard, Brelyn Mecks, Kayla Menser, Nakia Morgan, Rebecca Nowicki, Dominic Pena, Rehman Sheikh, Kyle Stevens, Shanya Sturdivant, Courtney Thompson, and Deven Thompson.

### Fifth Grade – Ms. Austin

Jordan Genigeski, India Graham, Ariel Lanqua, Ivonne Lewis, Ashley Robinson, Rabia Sheikh, Shantanique Solomon, and Sierra Straughter.

### Sixth Grade – Ms. Lhiva

Chance Armstrong, Amy Best, Joshlyn Booth, Na'Shelle Hill, Eric Trout, Nathan Wilkerson, Frank Williams, and Marquese Williams.

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Nichelle Baker, Jacob Segur, and Courtney Thomas. □

### Correction

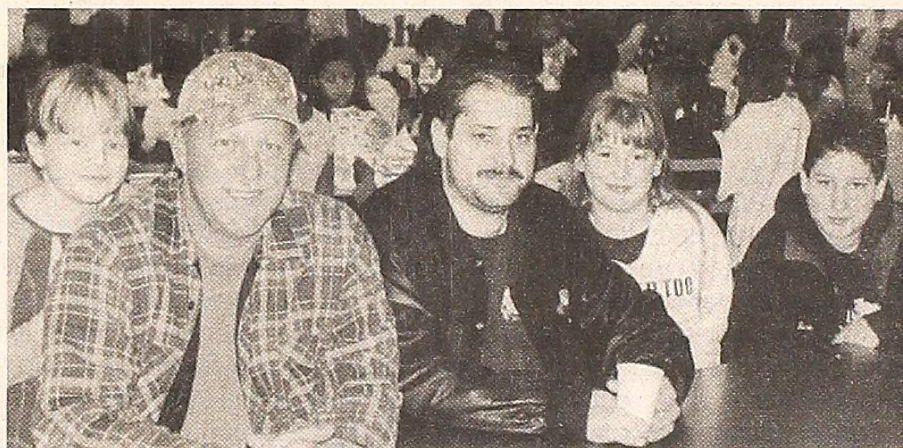
In the December 2, 2005 issue of *The Romulus News*, the Honor Roll for Barth Elementary School should have included the name of Kyneth Kyle Noble, a fifth-grader in Mr. Smith's classroom. □

## Band Boosters Make \$1,000 Donation



After holding a highly successful craft show fund-raiser that featured beautiful handmade items from vendors like Bernice Jewell (second from left), the Romulus Band Boosters—including (from left) members Christina Lefler, Karen Britt, Theresa McLachlan, Lynn Sears, and Larry Baxter—presented a \$1,000 donation to Romulus Middle School band director Mark Fernandez during his school's annual holiday concert.

## Donuts for Dads



Among those taking part in Merriman Elementary's recent "Donuts for Dads" program were (from left) Miranda May and her father, Rob May, and Corey Segur and his children, Amanda and Jacob Segur.

## ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

### STUDY SESSION, DECEMBER 5, 2005

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, December 5, 2005, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President April Frayer.

Roll call showed members Frayer, Celeste Roscoe, Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Niema White, Betty Lenossi, Cheryl Buckley, and Thomas Kuderik present. Administrator Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Frayer.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

12/05/1 Moved by Buckley, supported by Kuderik, to approve the Agenda as amended. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

#### MASB REPRESENTATIVES – MR. CARL HARTMAN AND MR. PETER SILVERI

Mr. Carl Hartman and Mr. Peter Silveri appeared before the Board of Education to discuss guidelines, structure, and timelines for the search for Superintendent of Romulus Community Schools.

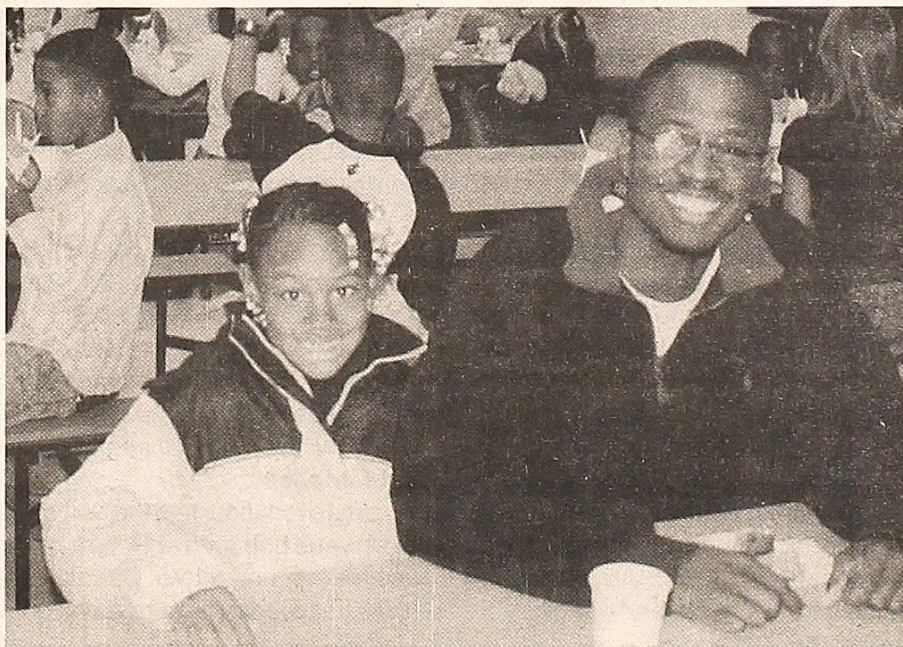
#### ADJOURNMENT:

12/05/2 Moved by Buckley, supported by Kuderik, to adjourn. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Mientkiewicz, Secretary, Romulus Board of Education



Other "Donuts for Dads" attendees included Destiny Hicks and her father, Gary Hicks.

## Sassy Seniors



In the past 10 years, the annual appreciation luncheon hosted by Jerry and Linda Norman has grown from about 15 guests to well over 100.

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, senior citizens program coordinator for the City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (For more information about events at Romulus Senior Center, temporarily located at Romulus Progressive Hall, call 734-941-6009.)

### Appreciation Luncheon Recognized 120 Senior Center Helpers

On December 6, Senior Center program coordinator Linda Norman and her husband Jerry hosted their annual appreciation luncheon for coworkers and friends who give the couple a helping hand whenever they need one.

From humble beginnings a decade ago, the event – financed entirely by the Normans – has grown tremendously.

"The first year, the luncheon was attended by about 15 people who worked at the Center," Linda recalled. "The next year, because the City helped so much, we decided to invite City employees, too. Then, other companies who worked with us were added to the list ... and now look at the turnout!" she exclaimed as, with a sweep of her arm, she indicated the crowd of 120 people who were digging in to this year's fiesta-style meal.

Among the Normans' guests was Mayor Alan R. Lambert, who said that the feelings of appreciation are mutual.

"It is not just for the meal that we come," he explained. "We all want to show the love and support we have for Linda and Jerry, who have done so much for our seniors and our city."

### Help with Signing Up for Plan D

Linda Peak, case manager for the Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency, will be at the Romulus Senior Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month to assist senior citizens in signing up for Medicare Plan D.

Seniors planning to consult with Peak should bring their Social Security and Medicare cards, a list of medications, proof of income, and any paperwork they have received about Plan D or the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP).

### Holiday Shopping

The Senior Center's holiday shopping trip to Kmart is set for 9:30 a.m. on Monday, December 19. Cost of transportation is \$1. Space is limited, so early sign-up is recommended.

### Regular Programs

Besides the many special activities offered at the Romulus Senior Center, a number of regularly scheduled free or low-cost programs are also open to local senior citizens, including:

- Bunco (Tuesdays, 1 p.m.),
- Bingo (Wednesdays, 1 p.m.),
- Game Day (Thursdays, 1 to 3 p.m.).

### TeleCare Program Available

The Romulus Senior Center's TeleCare program provides seniors with daily phone reassurance at no cost. To learn more, call the Center's friendly staff.

### Hot Lunches

Just a reminder that the Senior Center serves a hot lunch at 11:30 a.m. each weekday for only \$1.75. Call at least 24 hours in advance for a reservation. □

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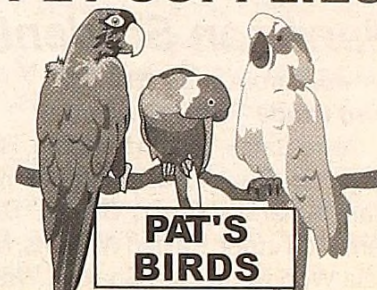
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**Obituaries****Scott M. Crout**

Scott M. Crout of Belleville, Michigan, passed away on Friday, December 9, 2005, at the age of 26.

Scott – born in Wayne, Michigan, on Friday, August 24, 1979 – was employed as a laborer in the City of Romulus Department of Public Works.

Surviving Scott are his parents, Harry and Sandy Crout; a sister, Terri (Randy) Moffatt; 2 grandparents, Harvey and Betty Rhodes; 2 nieces,

Savannah Rose Moffatt and Miranda Mae Moffatt; and many uncles, aunts, and cousins.

Among those who preceded him in passing were his paternal grandparents, Ray and Bessie Crout.

A funeral service was held on Monday, December 12, at Uht Funeral Home (Westland, MI), with Reverend Beth Titus officiating. Cremation rites were accorded.

**Fannie Newton**

Fannie Newton of Romulus, Michigan, passed away on Tuesday, December 6, 2005.

Fannie is survived by 5 children, Nomi Price, Joanne (Bernard) Seay, Danny Newton, Johnny (Bobby) Newton, and Barry Newton; a brother, George (Hazel) Williams; 18 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; and

2 great-great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Lawrence Newton, and 4 brothers.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, December 10, at Community Baptist Church of Romulus.

Arrangements were entrusted to the Harry J. Will Funeral Home (Wayne, MI). □

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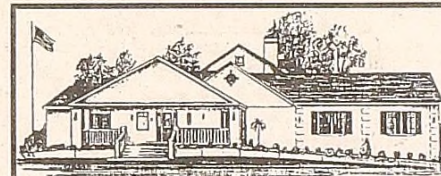
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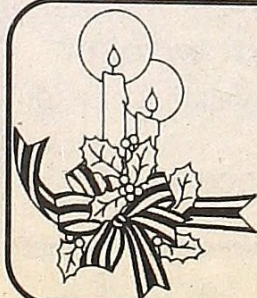
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